

WHAT IS CLAIMED

1. A system for the duplication of data onto compact disks, the system comprising:

a copy unit, comprising:

at least one set of multiple stacked recordable disk drives;

a pivotal transport tower;

a set of disk retainer members, arranged in a symmetric circular pattern around the pivotal transport tower, wherein the disk retainer members maintain the order and placement of a stack of compact disks during the copy operations, wherein a disk stack in any of the disk retainer members in the set has a top with a top disk;

an arm, connected to the pivotal transport tower, the arm having a disk engagement and lift mechanism that cooperates with the pivotal transport tower to engage, lift and pivot a top disk located on the top of a stack held in place by one disk retainer member to any stacked recordable disk drive member, wherein the disk engagement and lift mechanism and pivotal transport tower also cooperate to engage, lift and pivot a disk located in any one of the stacked recordable disk drives to the top of any stack held in place by one of the disk retainer members.

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